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Policy:

The Early Childhood Stakeholders Alliance shall adopt guiding principles.

The current guiding principles shall be:

- Broad-Based Representation
- Respect
- Responsiveness
- Informed Decision Making
- Agent of Change

Purpose:

Early Childhood Iowa shall collectively develop or revise guiding documents that provide an overall “how” the Early Childhood Stakeholders Alliance shall conduct its work and business.

Definitions:

Guiding principles are highly valued tenets of behavior, attitude and action that drive the culture, work and decision making of the Early Childhood Stakeholders Alliance.

Procedures:

- The ECI Stakeholder Alliance shall revisit the current guiding principles every 5 years and members should commit to the current or revised guiding principles.
- Any and all members should have a voice in possible changes in the guiding principles, either through in-person exchanges or through technological means such as a survey.
- The ECI Steering Committee will implement a process to review and update the guiding principles based on membership input; input will also be sought from the State ECI Board, ECI Area Boards, Local ECI Directors, ECI Component groups and other interested stakeholders.
- The ECI Steering Committee will provide any recommended changes to the ECI Stakeholder Alliance, the ECI State Board, and ECI Area Boards for adoption by consensus by the ECI Stakeholder Alliance to maximum extent possible. A minimum threshold for adoption is agreement by 2/3rds of those in attendance.

Responsibilities:

It is the responsibility of the membership of the Early Childhood Stakeholder Alliance to commit to and express the tenets of the guiding principles in their work and decision making.

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